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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed with the above-referenced application.

The following are listed on the accompanying PTO/SB/08 and are in a non-English language:

1. Japanese patent publication no. 04-334231. The relevance of this document is discussed at page 3 of the specification of the present application.
2. Japanese patent publication no. 07-007515. The relevance of this document is discussed at pages 2-3 of the specification of the present application.
3. Japanese patent publication no. 02-092043. The relevance of this document is discussed at pages 3 and 5 of the specification of the present application.
4. Japanese patent publication no. 07-336373.

An English language abstract of each of the above documents is enclosed.

Also enclosed is an English-language translation of the international search report from the Japanese Patent Office in the PCT international application, from which this national phase U.S. application is derived.

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